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Attn: AES Finalist Comments (Bilg. 820, Room 423)
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Dear Sir/Madam responsible for AES IP issues:

We are pleased that the final selection of AES is progressing.

We recognize that NIST has requested that all interested parties identify to NIST any patents or inventions that may be required for the use of AES.

According to this request, we would like to inform you that Hitachi, Ltd. has US patents related to candidates of AES.

Yours faithfully,

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